

## State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

## **VIA E-MAIL ONLY**

November 1, 2018

Ms. Deborah M. Sorden, Vice President Health Services MAXIMUS 34 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 3000 Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Sorden:

## **RE:** Notice of Monetary Penalty Regarding LARA Call Center's September Statistics

Reports for the month of September demonstrate the failure of MAXIMUS to meet contractual requirements related to the percentage of calls that must be answered. In the month of September, call centers operated a total of nineteen (19) days. Call center statistics show four (4) days of noncompliance for percentage of calls that must be answered.

Contract 2000224865 between MAXIMUS and the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) provides:

1.6.5.2.2.5 The toll-free telephone number shall be staffed 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m (Central Standard Time). Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays, at levels sufficient to ensure that ninety five percent (95%) of calls do not exceed the following wait times, computed on a daily basis:

1.6.5.2.2.5.2 Two (2) minutes after the first three (3) months of operation.

Failure to meet call center deliverables bears liquidated damages per day of noncompliance in accordance with the Table in Section 1.10.2.3 of the contract.

The table below outlines the specific dates when the deliverables were not met.

September		
Date	Percentage of Calls	Associated Penalty
	Answered	
9/04/2018	93.16%	\$100
9/10/2018	85.90%	\$100
9/17/2018	85.88%	\$100
9/24/2018	86.63%	\$100

Total associated penalties:

**Total: \$400.00** 

Due to the instances of noncompliance outlined in this letter, the amount of \$400.00 will be deducted from the next invoice submitted by MAXIMUS.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stacy Guidry

Section Chief, Health Plan Management

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